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MORE DRASTIC MEASURE

bill by the Judiciary committee was not enexpected, but the unanimity of the vote is a surprise. It was known early last October that the General Assembly was being packed against the easure, and it was expected that aker Banks would so construct the Judiciary committee as to assure an unfavorable report, but it had not been believed that the packing process was so thorough and complete.. Gov. Lilley's campaign was based principally upon this issue, and to the popular demand for a public utilities commisn his election may be attributed. re is not a reasonable doubt that a reat majority of the voters favor a blic utilities commission and that they believed, from the Lilley campalgn, it would be forthcoming, but they were hoodwinked in the legislative nominations. While Mr. Lilley was advocating the creation of the comon, the party leaders were secretly packing the General Assembly against a commission. It was a dou--acting plan and it worked success-

The public utilities corporations have this time. They were warned from time to time by the Hartford Courant that their better policy would be to allow passage of the pending bill, General Assembly by a more drastic sure. This prediction will probably be fulfilled, and we very much doubt whether the next General Assembly can be packed, as was the present Legislative nominees will be required to state their views, and may be asked to give written pledges. Pubent is aroused to the situation and is not likely to be caught napping next year.

## WHAT AN IMPARTIAL

COMMISSION COULD DO The National Republican platform. adopted last year, declared in favor of tariff duties equal to the difference t of production here and abroad. with a "reasonable profit" added thereto. So far as we have observed. ther the Ways and Means committee ich constructed the House bill, nor the Finance committee which reported the Senate bill, made any sufficient effort, if any at all, to ascertain such wealthy, and it is supposed that the bulk of her estate will go to her granddifference in cost of production. The their activities to the ascertainment, ed by large and handsome trees.

Sometime during Saturday night the residence of Mr. Lewis Morris, on Uned to meet foreign competition, but of what duties the interested corporations and the house was ransacked from and persons desired. This action was top to bottom. The theft was not dis-

main duty of which would be to collect facts, as for instance the difference in cost of production here and abroad, of Mrs. Morris' summer costumes, sils of clothes, a large number of Mrs. Morris' summer costumes, sils of clothes, a large number of Mrs. Morris' summer costumes, silver, bed blankets, and linen. Up-to-Congress for its guidance in making tariff amendments from time to time. It is clear that Congressional committees will never do this work; in fact, they could not devote the necessary time to it without neglecting other du-

mission could, if prober ly constructed, do most salutary work. Impartiality as between revenue and protective tariffs should be its prime rule of action. It would report facts held at the residence of Deacon A. P. only-not distorted inferences. If the creation of such a commission should be authorized, its control would at once he be sought by interests which enjoy and desire to retain unnecessarily high duties, and should they succeed, the duties, and should they succeed, the the 1st of May. They come from the commission's reports would be valueless. They would be simply statements designed to uphold the wishes of highly protected persons and corporations.

An impartial commission would be a blessing to a tariff-ridden people. Congress could not shunt aside its reports. in the face of public sentiment. There would probably be some relief from tariff duties which yield much more than reasonable profits and which much more than cover the difference in cost of production here and abroad.

In 1904 there were 86 trusts, of which 89 were organized with the fostering aid of the Dingley tariff bill which is now in force. It is impossible to state how many have been organized since but there is a virtual certainty that the number has increased largely.

For about 38 years, South Africa has produced the world's supply of dianonds, and a combination of the producers has so regulated the supply as to maintain, and even increase, the market prices of good stones. One result has been that the steadily increasing value has led many to buy the stones not only as ornaments but also as investments.

Now, according to the official report of a U. S. consular officer, Brazil which formerly produced exceptionally fine ds, is again in the market, new

diamond fields having been discovered. THE EVENING FARMER the stones are said to be purer than the South African products, plentiful in quantity and cheaper of production. They are found by dredging in rivers and streams, and the cost of dredging is said to be offset by the gold found. Thus far, about 12,000,000 carats have been found, and it is predicted that the yield of the next ten years will exceed the total from the South African fields capital is in control of this new source

> of diamond supply. It might seem that this Brazilian discovery would assure competition in family resides next door to the high the diamond market and bring lower prices, but these results are not probable. When Russian oil fields began to compete with the American product in the world's markets, a division of territory soon followed, with a consequent abatement of competition. It is eminently probable that the South African and Brazilian competitors in the diamond market will effect a similar agreement and that market prices will be maintained. Even should this not occur, an increasing demand for the most beautiful of all precious stones would probably cause a maintenance of

One result of the wheat corner and ts high prices will probably be such an increase in wheat acreage as will reduce prices next year. In 1898, a corner raised the price to \$1.85; the next year, overproduction cut down the price to 85 cents. Millers are complaining of a reduced demand for flour; NEXT TIME this is a natural result of increased The rejection of the public utilities prices. Demand always lessens, when prices are above what the market will

## FAIRFIELD

Death of Mrs. Aldrich, Also of Mrs. Wakeman - Robbery of the Morris Mansion - Old Maids in Convention-News from Washington - Personal

Yesterday afternoon the remains of Mrs. Bessie Lowrie Aldrich were brought to town and taken to Oaklawn cemetery on Greenfield Hill. Mrs. Aldrich died in Brooklyn, where she was living with her family and her mother, the residence understood to be on Clinton avenue. She is surviv-ed by her husband and one child. She was about 30 years of age. She will be remembered by many in town as the grand child of Obidiah Jones, who was the head of one of the oldest fam-illes of this town. The family estate comprised a farm of 96 acres, which included the present estate of A. Holland Forbes, and fronted on Main St., from the old academy to near Flint's corner and extended back to the beach. Her mother was Miss Sarah Jones who married a Mr. Lowrey. At for it would be succeeded in the next field. Mrs. Aldrich was a second-cousin of Mr. H. E. Rowland of this town. The Rowlands left for Brooklyn to at-tend the funeral. The Jones farm was soid to the late Treat Campbell, who cut through the new street to the beach and thus divided the estate. As

beach and thus divided the estate. As a malden Miss Lovrie was remarkably handsome, and she was much beloved by all who knew her.

Miss Emma Brown and Miss Loretta Perry are now in Washington, as delegates to the convention of the Daughters of the American Revolution, representing the Eunice Dennie Burr chapter of this town. They go Burr chapter of this town. They go as alternates, and are stopping at the Hotel Gordon. A postal received from Miss Perry yesterday says they are having a delightful time. News was received in Southport yes-

terday of the death at Hot Springs, Virginia, of Mrs. William Webb Wake-man, in her 95th year. Her remains arrived in Southport yesterday after-noon, and were taken to the large and well known family residence on Rose Hill. Mrs. Wakeman was the grand-mother of Mr. Charles Taintor, who was with her when she died. Mrs. Wakeman is reputed to have been very committees apparently limited old Colonial residence and is surroundquowa Road, was entered by thieves not in accord with the Republican platform, nor with the interests of the people.

These facts give force to the demand for a permanent tariff commission, the took apparently everything they could carry away in bags, such as eight or nine suits of clothes, a large number date no arrests have been made

On Sunday Dr. Child thanked his congregation and the members of his parish for the splendid service they rendered upon the occasion of the mar-riage of his daughter to Mr. Aldis Ellis Miss Mary Flanagan, formerly a resident of this town, was married on Sunday night at St. Patrick's cathedral in New York to Mr. David A. Rus-

The Chautauqua Circle held its last regular literary meeting on Saturday night. A social meeting will soon be Mr. Ochs expects to vacate his bar-

ber shop about the 1st of May, when he will remove to Wilton. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Gorman and famous Cairo hotel, on Corcoran St.,

Washington, Mr. N. W. Ogden, who has been sick for some weeks, is now able to be out.

Mr. George Huber of Bridgeport has
moved into the James Nichols place,
which he bought last fall.

Mr. Thomas Hauseman, Burr street, ill for the last two weeks, is again able Mr. F. R. Cushing and family have arrived in town from New York for

the summer. A little daughter has come into the family of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Ranks Mrs. Martin Burr recently fell from the verandah of her residence, and was

seriously injured.

Miss Edna Jennings has returned to the State Normal School.

The Old Maid's Convention appears to have taken the fancy of Southport citizens. Another meeting of the maids

will take place next Friday evening at the Pequot Library. Mr. Tallmadge Wakeman is having a fine time with his new automobile and he makes the dust fly. Mrs. Charles Sherwood has concluded to take the \$1,000 offered to her by the

town at the last town meeting and call it square There are two or three cases of measles and bad colds in Southport. Friday last Mrs. John Deyo entertained the Afternoon Sewing society.



## STRATFORD

Folks Leaving Town-The School Question - Baseball Contests - Outbreak of Contagious Diseases-Easter Fete -Noble Grands.

Mr. David Middlebrook left town during the past 38 years. American yesterday on a business trip to Bris-

> A fresh case of measles has appeared in the house where the Clinton school building. Mr. C. Edwin Dufour is in Winsted

gardening. Judging from the crowded condition of the local court room yesterday a good deal of interest was taken in the truancy cases which came up for ex-amination. It was made manifest that either the laws of the state in the matter of attendance at school must be enforced, or the bars will be let down and many children, either from disinclination to go to school, or be-cause their parents prefer to keep them at work, will run wild. Naturally the foreign population cannot see the ne-cessity of teaching a child such a branch of education as drawing, when the chances are the boy will work on a farm all his days or in a shop, or may drive a junk wagon or an ice cart. One man said to Supt. An-drews that he had such a large family he was entitled to a certificate of leave

for his children.

Sunday Rev. Mr. Bullock preached upon "Memory." He said that a man who is anxious to forget is a coward. He considered memory a proof of immortality, since it endures while the frame is constantly ing change. It is a factor of the soul

and lives forever.
On Monday Mr. Bullock started for New York, where he was to lecture, at Institute Hall, 106th street, on "Un-cle Sam's Farm." This by invitation of the Board of Education. Mr. Bullock then proceeds to Cleveland, Ohio, but will be back in town in season to give the same lecture at his church on Friday evening.

Posters are distributed about town

calling attention to the fact that the farce known as Prof. Baxter's Invention, will be given at the Grange on U. S. COMMISSIONER SHIELDS

tion, will be given at the Grange on Saturday evening.
Saturday at Strawberry Hill, the Orioles and the Young Tigers, both local baseball teams, fought out a game to the finish, the young 14 year old Orioles winning 29 to 11.

Mr. Munson and family of Hollister Heights, will soon leave that famous locality for their new house in Bridgeport.

Yesterday the family of Mr. Byron C Demmon moved to Bridgeport. The officers of the Methodist church held a meeting last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Rogers are entertaining Rev. Geo. E. Farrer for

the present. The interest on Barnum avenue, re-garding the extension of the trolley to

Main street, is said to continue.

After all it appears there was some foundation for the apprehension that possibly, if the health authorities did not take vigorous action, there might be an epidemic of measles and scarlet fever in town. To head this off it has been deemed wise to close the Washington school on North avenue Washington school on North avenue and to have the building put into a thorough sanitary condition. It is asserted that there are 9 families in that part of the town, some member of which is ill with scarlet fever. Three cases are reported in the Yates family. Dr. George F. Lewis has the matter in hand, and will do his best to stamp out the disease. out the disease.
St. John's lodge of Masons holds a

meeting this evening.

The Red Men, so it is said, are going to have another dance to-morrow

evening.

People who have recently come to town to see the place and make visits include Mrs. Emeline Raymond, Mrs. A. L. Lacey, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Al-len, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Burritt, Miss Margaret Stratton, Miss Emma Goodwin from Atlantic city, Mrs. Fur-niss of Meriden, and Rev. Frank Hawley of Hawleyville.

of the Young Ladies' Auxiliary of Christ church, is in progress at the Episcopal rectory. Miss Albertena Wilcoxson has charge of the affair, and some little folks are having the time of their lives.

It was a pity the thunder showe

came up last night at just the time it did for some of our Red Men were on the point of going to Milford. Not that any local Indians are afraid of thunder. Perish the thought!

It is now said that Rev. H. K. Job will really make an address on birds at the very next meeting of the Housa-

tonic Grange. It is said that quite a bunch of our Past Noble Grands will go to New Haven to-morrow for a good time with the Rebekahs of that city. Those who have bought tickets are Mrs. Julian Clinton, Mrs. Kendall Mrs. Charles

Clinton, Mrs. Kendall Mrs. Charles Breen and Mrs. Walter Oddy.

The annual dinner will be discussed at the next meeting of the Cupheag club. It will be eaten later in the sea-son—possibly at the shore.

Mr. Frank Blue is still confined to the Bridgeport hospital.
Mr. Frank Hackett has found emloyment on the trolly line. Mrs. N. Ellsworth Cornwall is get-

## Prince Rex Sues St. Regis Hotel

New York, April 20 .- "Prince" John Rex De Guelph, who says he is a son of the present King of England, broke into the limelight again yesterday by beginning an action against the St. Regis Company, owner of the hotel of that name at Fifty-fifth street and Fifth avenue, for \$500,000. The suit is based on an episode which occurred at the hotel on March 26 last, when the "Prince" left there under what he de-scribes in his complaint as "humiliatin circumstances."

## NEWTOWN.

Miss Florence Ashcroft opened her school yesterday, after enjoying her Easter vacation in New York city. Mr. and Mrs. Wesley F. Hayes, of Bridgeport, were in town Monday. The game played between the New-town Athletic Club and the Bridgeport Brass Co. Jrs., last Saturday was very exciting. The score was 9-11 in favor of B. B. Co. Mrs. M. F. Houlihan and Mrs. E. Lyons have returned from a few days visit in New York city.

Mrs. William Thicket and Miss Minnie Thicket were guests in the Park lity yesterday. Allison P. Smith preached in Gaylordsville Sunday. The trip was made by automobile in company with R. H.

Members of the Marathon Club who went to Danbury Sunday, were Phillips Morris, Rodney Shepard, Edward Pitzschler, John Clark, Gustave Carison, Henry Carison, and Leonard Shepard. They were met on the return trip by train at Hawleyville by 8 other members, 6 young ladies and 2 young gentlemen recruits. The club is some intercent. some interesting tramps.

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She averaged 25.42 knots an hour.

Boyce Gets Divorce

Middletown, N. Y., April 20.—One of the most remarkable divorce cases on record in this State was brought to an end by a decision of Justice Mor schauser of the Supreme Court grant-ing an interlocutory decree to Hubert R. Boyce of this city from his wife, Mrs. Avis Collins Martin Overstreet The action was not contested.

## 54 YEARS WITH GOVERNMENT

rod and apparently as strong as he ties, were looked forward to with par-was years ago. To prove it Mr. ticular interest.

Shields is usually at his desk befor the younger clerks get their coats off, and he is usually the last to leave the

M'Carren Promises

New York, April 20.—Patrick H. Mc-Carren, leader of the Kings County Democracy, who, bankruptcy proceed-ings in the failed brokerage house of Ennis & Stoppani have disclosed, owes From Married Wife

From Married Wife

Emins & Stoppan have disclosed, owes that firm \$124,000, visited Receiver that firm

> **OPERATION IN SURGERY** DEVELOPES INFANT'S BRAIN

New York, April 20.—An operation in surgery which was performed in Brooklyn a few weeks ago with the Brockyr a tww weeks ago a micro-Boyce, who is now the wife of State aim of preserving the life of a micro-Senator George Brown of Atlanta, Ga.

The action was not contested.

Brockyr a tww weeks ago a micro-cephalous infant and enabling the child's brain to develop normally has had up to date most gratifying results. The operation was performed on March 13 at Dr. Herbert C. Allen's clinic at the Cumberland Street Hospital, branch of the Flatbush Hospital.

New York, April 20.—United States Commissioner Shields completed yesfor while the hospital physicians would not say has fifty-fourth year as a Government employe in this city. He is grant to be a performed before, they could find ernment employe in this city. He is no record of such an operation, and grant apparently as strong as he life were looked forward to with par-



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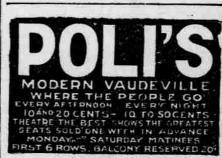
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